

PROJECT NAME: Early Case Resolution

RECIPIENT: Salt Lake County, Utah

LOCATION: Salt Lake City, Utah

PURPOSE:

With these requested funds, Salt Lake County will establish an Early Case Resolution (ECR) Court to quickly process Class A Misdemeanor and lower level felony offenses as well as to streamline the judicial process in the first two days of processing. Streamlining cases in this way will ensure that all defendants leave the jail knowing that they must answer for their actions at a specified date and time. In short, the ECR Court will provide a forum where cases that needlessly take months to resolve in the traditional system will resolve in a matter of days. The Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office has committed to screen 50 percent of its cases through the ECR process. That translates into over 8,000 cases that will have a chance to resolve quickly, without crowding attorney caseloads and draining court resources. Salt Lake County's approach to criminal prosecution will be evidence-based practices; allowing our community to provide improved offender rehabilitation and enhanced safety to its citizens.

AMOUNT: \$2,000,000